H. R. 238.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES,

APRIL 26, 1852.

Read twice, and referred to the Committee on Public Lands.

May 27, 1852.

Reported with amendments, viz: strike out the parts within [brackets,] and insert the words printed in *italics*.

AN ACT

To release from reservation and restore to the mass of public lands certain lands in the State of Arkansas.

- 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Repre-
- 2 sentatives of the United States of America in Congress
- 3 assembled, That the several tracts of land in the State of
- 4 Arkansas, heretofore reserved for the satisfaction of mili-
- 5 tary bounties under the war of eighteen hundred and
- 6 twelve, and which now remain undisposed of, be, and they
- 7 are hereby released from such reservation, and restored to
- 8 the mass of public lands, to be disposed of in the same
- 9 manner as any other unoffered public land: Provided,
- 10 That the person who may, at the date of this act, be an
- 11 actual settler on any one of said tracts, and who but for
- 12 the reservation thereof might have claimed the right of

pre-emption thereto, under the act of fourth of September,
eighteen hundred and forty-one, be, and is hereby authorized to enter the same, or any subdivision thereof, not
exceeding one hundred and sixty acres, upon making
proof of said right, and paying the minimum price per
acre, [within a year after the passage of this act, or] prior
to the day fixed for the public sale of the tract.

Sect. 2. And be it further enacted, That all sales 1 of said land, or locations thereof by military warrants 2 (other than those of the war of eighteen hundred and 3 twelve) which have been inadvertently permitted to be 4 5 made, and which are in all other respects fair and regular, 6 except as embracing reserved land not offered at public sale, be, and the same are hereby confirmed, and patents 7 thereon which have issued shall be as legal and valid, as if 8 9 said land had been released from reservation and offered 10 at public sale prior to such sales or locations.

1 [Sect. 3. And be it further enacted, That all of said
2 warrants which have not been satisfied, may be located on
3 any of the public lands subject to private entry at the time
4 of the location of the same.]